



St Mary's Catholic Parish Warwick

Vision Statement

To live the Gospel by celebrating together, sustaining a welcoming parish and serving Jesus Christ through the joys and sorrows of our wider community.

2nd & 3rd March 2024
3rd Sunday of Lent, Year B

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Echoes of Calvary: a reflection on the final seven words of Jesus

"He said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother."

Imagine a condition that makes a person irritable, depressed, and self-centred, and is associated with a 26% increase in the risk of premature mortality. Imagine too that in industrialised countries around a third of people are affected by this condition, with one person in 12 affected severely, and that these proportions are increasing. Income, education, sex, and ethnicity are not protected, and the condition is contagious. The effects of the condition are not attributable only to certain people, but it affects everyone irrespective of differences. And that condition is loneliness.

The book of Genesis portrays a confession from God at the very beginning of creation, "it is not good for the human person to be alone, I will give a partner to him". We are created never to be alone, and our creator does not want us to be alone. At the foot of the cross, there is Mary, who has no one except her son who is dying right in front of her. Then there is John who has everyone but have left by everyone including his fellow disciples. Jesus, bringing them together and giving them to each other. Jesus creates a new community that is not related because of blood, colour, ethnicity, education, profession or sports but because of the faith in God.

This message is at the heart of the Gospel- adoption. God so loved the world that he gave his only son to save the world. And what is salvation? Anyone who receives Jesus as saviour, the Holy Spirit help them to become children of God who are born not of flesh but by the will of God. God adopts each one of us into a family. In the community of faith, we are never alone.

When I left Warwick, at least 15 families told me that I have always a room in their house and pop in at any time (the bravest people of the century). Barry Scanlan told me that he likes to see me around his house any time. I took it up a few times. Imagine the scene: he and Pat walk in, find this little Indian squeezed into a couch as tall as him and suddenly it's a party! Yes, it happened a few times. Wow, how can I be lonely when I have people like that around me? I may be houseless, but I am never homeless or lonely. And all because of my faith, nothing but the faith in Jesus of Barry, Pat, you and me.

The words of Jesus from the cross invite us to adopt, adopt, and adopt. Adopt each other, adopt the stranger, adopt the seasonal worker, adopt the homeless, adopt the one who struggles with dementia, adopt the new person who came to the church for the first time, adopt the friend who just lost his wife, adopt the neighbour who just moved to the nursing home, adopt the family who just lost their daughter, adopt the lonely soul who drinks alone at the pub. Adopt- Woman, I am your son. Son, I am your mother.

As Catholics, we can never be lonely because we believe in a sacramental world. The grace of God flows through the world around us and the Holy Spirit is our constant companion. How could we ever feel truly alone? As Mary Oliver writes, whoever you are, no matter how lonely, the world offers itself to your imagination. God never strips us of the creation that surrounds us. There is always a sky, the birds who sing, the gum trees that squeak, the roos that hop. And through it all, the Holy Spirit whispers, "I will never leave you orphan."

FrB

PLEASE PRAY FOR

MASS TIMES

THIS WEEKEND

2nd & 3rd March

St Mary's

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8:30am

Yangan

Saturday 6pm

Greymare

Sunday 10am

REGULAR

WEEKDAY

MASSES

Monday Mass 9am

Tuesday Mass 9am

Wednesday Mass 7am

Thursday Mass 9am

Friday Mass 9am

Saturday Mass 9am

Regular Mass Times could change if there are any special celebrations for the week, please see inside the Bulletin for any updates.

Oakes: 1st Thursday 10.30am

Akooramak: 2nd Thursday 10.45am

St Mary's Sunday

8:30am Masses are live-streamed from St Mary's on YouTube or the website.

FEAST DAYS

NEXT WEEKEND

9th & 10th March

St Mary's

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8:30am

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES: Clare Watts, Les & Connie Noye, Burton Joyce Noye, Catherine Roche, Tom Dwan, Frank Nolan, Jimmy, Marty & Adam Ford, William Hall, William Behm, Howard Crowe, Thelma Marshall, Marcosa Cabingas & Beatriz Ompoc *and all relatives and friends.*

SICK: John Bourke, Michael Kavanagh, Paul Ryan (BNE), Rylan Lean, Leo Ryan (Warwick), Kierstan Farrell, John & Lyndell O'Mara, John McMahon, Maurice Ryan, Joanne Small, Tom Willett, Mary & Douglas Hough, Karen Hynes, Michael Bunch (Bne), Jack & Marie Beard, Barry Donnelly, Angela Gannon, Des & Jan Buchbach, Anthony White, Madeline King and residents of Akooramak, The Oaks, Churches of Christ and patients at the Warwick Hospital.

Covid-19: Please use the hand sanitizer provided at the doors

ROSTERS	THIS WEEKEND 2nd & 3rd March 2024		NEXT WEEKEND 9th & 10th March 2024	
	Vigil 6pm	8:30am	Vigil 6pm	8:30am
Ministries	Darcy Furness	Michael Ryan	Darcy Furness	Michael Ryan
Bell Ringers	Richard Tartan	Pat Sheil	Sharon Young	Dave Carr
Welcomers	Andrew & Andrea Curoopen	Thomas & Felicity Madsen	Alby Young & Will Wooding	Victoria McHardy
Altar Server		Elaina Haynes		Megan Kajewski
Children's Liturgy	Marguerite Walsh	Sue Harris	Sally Lancaster	Jill Hume
1st Reader	Sally Lancaster	Liisa Hammond	Pauline Stewart	Paul McHardy
2nd Reader	Nick Nolan	Michael Ryan	Bryan Slattery	John Telfer
Prayer of Faithful	Tim & Megan Kajewski	Plummer family	Mary Noble	Pat Sheil
Gifts	Brian Collins Justin Walsh Dianne Dawes	Jill Hume Emma Timmins Maree Ryan	Cheryl Collins Richard Tartan Mary Noble	Tom Lawton Jonathan Cruda Sue Harris
Communion Ministers	Rose Walsh	Harriet Plummer	Andrea Curoopen	Gemma King
Powerpoint	Kathleen / Men's Choir	Michael, Rey & Val	Debbie Cleary & Regina Henry	Kathleen/ Fil-Harmonix
Musician	Group 6— Mark Brennan		Group 1— Val Gray	
Money Counters				

OTHER ROSTERS	WEEK COMMENCING 3rd March	WEEK COMMENCING 10th March
Akooramak	Sue Harris	David Moran
Home Communion	Christine Cary & Len Doyle	Fr Franco
Morning Tea	Brian & Mary Bourke	Val Gray/Maree Ryan



Thank you for the continued financial support of our parish through your giving. Please see our details below for ways to give. **Ways to Give:**

1. Envelopes **2.** One-off deposit or credit card payment **4. Direct Debit - All NEW Direct Debits** will be via Archdiocesan Development Fund. Please contact the Parish Office for the form.

GIVING APP

You can now make a donation on your mobile phone. This can be a one-off donation or a recurring donation.



Book your tickets now for the Feast of St Patrick

March 16 2024

Celebrate with Fr O'Brien and Fr O'Webb

Dance the night away with Irish band McCarthy's Reel

Feast on a sumptuous 3 course meal

Tickets \$50 available from the office or

book and pay using the QR code or via <https://www.trybooking.com/1170674>

Guinness available at the bar, doors open from 6.30pm



Lenten Liturgy Program

The following services will take place at St Mary's Church over the coming weeks:

Stations of the Cross: Friday 5:30pm

Reconciliation: Tuesday 12th March
10:00am 7:00pm

Anointing of the Sick: during Mass
Saturday 16th March 9:00am

Lenten Groups

Maria hosts a Tuesday evening group at 7pm in Assumption Place.

Shirley Owens is hosting a Thursday Lenten Group in Assumption Place after Mass.

Bernice is hosting a Thursday afternoon group at 1:30pm in Assumption Place.

Justin & Marg Walsh host a Thursday night group 7pm in their home. Please call Margurite on 0411092841 for details.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

PRIVATE PRAYER -
Tuesday & Thursday
3.45pm - 4.45pm

PARISH GROUPS

The Parish Rosary is said each day a half hour prior to Mass. Except the 1st Saturday of the month when it starts at 7.45am.

Anyone who has intentions or wish to join us are most welcome.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUPS

If you are interested in joining our groups please contact Marguerite 0411 092 841

FIL-HAROMIX— Choir practice 1st Sunday & 2nd Saturday of each month.

CHURCH CHOIR

Choir practice 4th Saturday of each month at 9:45am in the Church

PARISH GROUPS

MEETING AT

ASSUMPTION PLACE

MEDITATION GROUP

meets on Fridays at 9am.
Contact Mary 4661 9907

FATHER'S PRAYER GROUP

meets on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:0pm. Contact Kev Seaby— 4661 3133

LAY CARMELITES

meet on 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10.00am. Contact Maria 0427 644 108

MEN ALIVE GROUP

meets on Thursdays at 4-5 pm.
Contact: Paul 0412 115 618

MOTHER'S PRAYERS GROUPS

meet on Thursdays at 9:30am after Mass in the church Maria 0427 644 108

PARISH LADIES GROUP

meets on 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30am. New members are warmly invited to join this group.
Contact Bernice 4661 1107

Sychar Rural Library

Service is available during Morning Tea on Sundays.



ASSUMPTION COLLEGE P&F ASSOCIATION

INVITES YOU TO OUR

Long Lunch

11:30 AM TO
2:30 PM

MAR

SUN
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2024

6 LOCKE STREET
WARWICK QLD

CHAMPAGNE ON ARRIVAL

5 COURSE TAPAS | DRINKS AVAILABLE | LIVE MUSIC

\$95.00 PER TICKET - TO BE PURCHASED VIA TRYBOOKING

[HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/COZRK](https://www.trybooking.com/cozrk)



Third Sunday of Lent
2 & 3 March



Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for **Leaia** and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Faith does not eliminate questions. But faith knows where to take them." —*Elisabeth Elliot.*

First Reading Ex 20: 1-17
The Law was given through Moses.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18: 8-11
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Second reading 1 Cor 1: 22-25
We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 3: 16
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
God loved the world so much he gave us his only Son,
That all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Gospel Jn 2: 13-25
Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

St Mary's Catholic Debutante Ball

Calling all girls interested in making their debut at the Catholic Debutante Ball to be held on Friday, 14th June, 2024 in St Mary's Hall.

An information evening will be held on Sunday, 25th February, 2024 in Assisi Place at 7pm. All prospective debutantes and an accompanying family member will be most welcome to attend.

For more information please contact
 Sue Harris mobile: 0428619562 or email: tellsue@gmail.com
 Christine Smith: email: c.smith3andersens.com.au

Sacramental Preparation

Classes for Reconciliation are held on Thursdays at 4pm in Assumption Place Meeting Room (beside the church). This week the children learnt about loving choices and poor choices.

Email: warwick@ctwb.org.au

CHILD SAFE PARISH: Ours is a Child Safe Parish

All children, young persons and vulnerable adults, visiting or resident, have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned by any form of abuse that is immediate, you should call 000. A significant risk or harm, whether or not you have formed this belief on reasonable ground, should immediately be raised with our Parish Safeguarding Officers

Toni Cox 0419 613 278 or Denise Ryan 0456 154 277

LOST PROPERTY

A plate was left in Assisi Place after Morning Tea. We have some baking trays and a container from the Parish Christmas Party. A small purse was left at the front of the church. Please collect from the office. All lost property is kept in the office.

Blue Care Grief & Loss Programs

- Grief & Loss of A Loved One - 8 weeks x 2 hours per week - offering support to those struggling on their grief journey
- Grief Loss & Dementia - 5 weeks x 2.5 hours per week - offering support to those who are Carers of people with Dementia.

Contact: 0417 555 826

E: GriefandLossProgram@bluecare.org.au

BLOKES HAVING COFFEE

Would you like to get out and about once a week to have a coffee and a few laughs with a bunch of other blokes?

COMMENCING:

9 A.M. EACH TUESDAY MORNING

LOCATION:

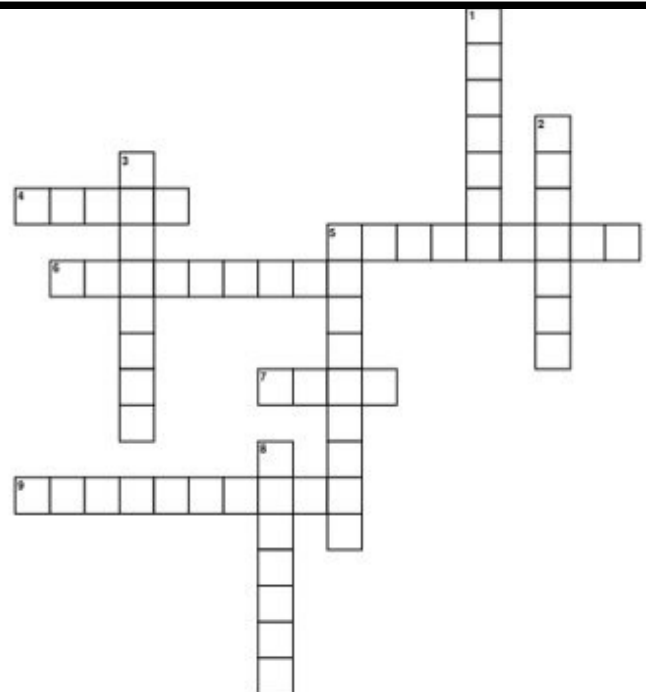
BELLE VUE CAFÉ, 119 Palmerin Street Warwick (opposite post office)

CONTACT:

PAUL 0412115618 BY PHONE OR SMS

Bulletin Submissions Deadlines

Please note the deadline for any submissions to our weekly Parish Bulletin is 12.00pm Thursday of each week.



Across

- [4] To _____ is to feel or express grief or sorrow.
 [5] Past tense on looking back and considering something.
 [6] Jesus was the ultimate _____ for the forgiveness of our sins.
 [7] Jesus said Peter would _____ him three times.
 [9] Giving in to _____ leads to sin.

Down

- [1] When Christians partake in the Lord's Supper, they _____ with fellow believers and God.
 [2] Using water and God's Word to be born again into the Lord's family.
 [3] An image or figure of Jesus on the cross is a _____.
 [5] _____ is confessing your sin and wanting to change your heart.
 [8] A _____ is an act of God.